Table B-6. Number of 1995 and 1996 science and engineering master's degree recipients who received financial support from various sources for those degrees, by major field of degree: April 1997

		Sources of support							
Major field of 1995-96 S&E master's degree	Total recipients	Earnings from employ- ment	Gifts from parents/ relatives	Scholar- ships, grants, fellowships	Loans from college, bank, government	Assistant- ships, work study	Employer assistance	Loans from parents or relatives	Other sources
All science and engineering fields	149,500	79,300	52,600	76,800	46,100	71,400	40,800	9,500	4,500
Major type									
Total science	102,500	57,000	36,900	52,200	37,200	48,200	23,000	6,700	3,700
Total engineering	47,000	22,300	15,700	24,700	8,900	23,100	17,800	2,800	S
Major field									
Computer and information sciences	18,200	8,700	6,800	8,300	2,500	8,100	6,600	1,800	S
Life and related sciences, total	15,300	7,900	5,500	7,400	6,100	7,800	2,800	1,200	S
Agricultural and food sciences	2,500	S	1,000	1,500	S	1,900	S	S	S
Biological sciences Environmental life sciences including	10,500	5,400	4,100	5,000	4,500	5,200	1,600	S	S
forestry sciences	2,400	1,600	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Mathematical and related sciences	7,900	3,300	1,800	4,300	1,700	4,800	2,200	S	S
Physical and related sciences, total	9,700	3,800	2,600	7,100	2,200	7,000	3,000	S	S
Chemistry, except biochemistry	3,900	1,600	1,100	3,000	1,000	2,700	1,500	S	S
Earth sciences, geology, and	2,400	1,100	700	1,500	600	1,800	600	S	S
oceanography Physics and astronomy	3,000	800	700	2,400	S	2,300	900	S	S
Other physical sciences	3,000 S	S	700 S	2,400 S	S	2,300 S	900 S	S	S
Psychology	26,400	16,900	10,900	10,600	14,100	9,000	3,800	S	S
Social and related sciences, total	25,100	16,500	9,300	14,600	10,500	11,500	4,600	1,500	1,300
Economics	4,100	2,000	1,700	2,600	1,400	1,900	4,000 S	1,500 S	1,500 S
Political science and related sciences	8,100	5,400	2,800	4,600	3,600	3,100	1,700	S	S
Sociology and anthropology	4,200	2,600	1,600	3,000	2,200	2,900	s,,,,,,	S	S
Other social sciences	8,700	6,400	3,100	4,400	3,400	3,600	1,700	S	S
Engineering, total	47,000	22,300	15,700	24,700	8,900	23,100	17,800	2,800	S
Aerospace and related engineering	1,500	700	500	900	S	700	500	S	S
Chemical engineering	2,000	900	600	1,400	S	1,100	600	S	S
Civil and architectural engineering	6,500	3,600	2,300	3,700	1,800	3,300	2,200	S	S
Electrical, electronic, computer and									
communications engineering	16,100	8,000	5,600	7,500	2,300	7,500	6,700	S	S
Industrial engineering	3,200	1,500	1,100	1,700	900	1,500	1,100	S	S
Mechanical engineering	7,200	3,200	2,700	4,200	1,300	4,600	1,600	S	S
Other engineering	10,400	4,400	3,000	5,300	1,900	4,400	5,000	S	S

KEY: S = Data with weighted values less than 100 or unweighted sample sizes less than 20 are suppressed for reasons of data reliability.

NOTES: Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

Respondents may have multiple sources of support. Therefore, column entries will not add to "Total recipients."

These estimates on recent college graduates are obtained from a sample survey of individuals whose most recent bachelor's or master's degree is in a science or engineering field and may differ from degree counts presented in other SRS publications.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Studies, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 1997